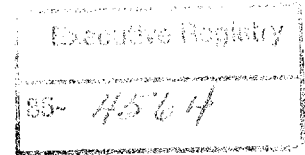


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Washington, D.C. 20505

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National Intelligence Council



MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: Fritz W. Ermarth
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SUBJECT: NSC on Summit "Walk Through" 15 November.

1. Our understanding is that this last meeting of principals before departure is intended briefly to review the schedule of events (who, what, when), not specifically to discuss substantive policy issues. The latter could, however, come up. The agenda (TAB A) tells one nothing. Jack Matlock, a key player, is himself not sure what the President or McFarlane intend.

2. The announced subject matter may give you an opportunity to make points about Soviet tactics, and back them up with some points about their basic strategy. Suggested points are at TAB B.

3. [] has gotten copies of the basic agenda at Geneva, status of issues, and the President three-by-five cards on arms control issues. He's sent them to you separately; but we've included them at TAB C.

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4. At TAB D are several current papers by SOVA on Soviet arms control positions and possible aims which may prove of use. In my opinion, they are sound as far as they go. But they tend to neglect the great political value to the Soviets of the summit itself and the circus-like process in the US that will ensue from it and frequent repeat performances we have apparently agreed to, a value the Soviets will gain (have already begun to gain) without progress on arms control.

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NSPC MEETING

Friday, November 15, 1985
11:00 a.m.-12:00 noon
Situation Room

AGENDA

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| I. | Introduction | Robert C. McFarlane
(5 minutes) |
| II. | Review of Schedule and Meetings | Secretary Shultz
(15 minutes) |
| III. | General Discussion | All participants
(35 minutes) |
| IV. | Conclusion | Robert C. McFarlane
(5 minutes) |

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First meeting morning of November 19th would address each side's view of overall relationship. This could include principal issues in US-Soviet relations, situation in world at large and how we can place relationship on a more constructive course.

Second meeting, that afternoon, could address arms control, particularly the nuclear and space talks.

Third meeting, morning of November 20th, could focus on regional security questions and bilateral issues.

The final plenary, that afternoon, could be used to sum up and focus on an agenda for the future, including guidance for our negotiators, and further summits.

The Soviets know that the President will want to spend a few minutes with the General Secretary alone to discuss humanitarian cases. There will be several opportunities: at the end of the afternoon session on November 19th; when they meet for dinner that evening; or during the tete-a-tete at the start of the morning session on November 20th.

Finally, both sides agree to hold open the possibility of a joint public appearance on the morning of November 21st if there are documents to release, agreements to sign, and/or individual statements to make to the press. Following this public event, the President and the General Secretary might spend 15-20 minutes together alone for a last exchange of views and to bid farewell.

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